LRP Calendar of Events

As of 21 April 2017

April

1 April: Tygart Lake Cleanup

22April: (Tygart) Earth Day Event, Planting Fruit Trees

22April: (Loyalhanna Lake) Earth Day Event, Great Pa. Cleanup 22April: (Michael J. Kirwan) Earth Day Event, West Branch Cleanup 22April: (Mosquito Creek Lake) Earth Day Event, Protecting Pollinators

22-23April: (Shenango River) Earth Day Event, Litter Pick-Up

24April: (Berlin Lake) Earth Day Event, Pass giveaway and Environmental Classes

29 April: Tionesta 5K Run

May

3 May: Tionesta Lake Annual Public Meeting (6:00 pm to 8:15 PM)

4 May: Youghiogheny Special Recreation Day 1000-1400 hrs.

6 May: (Tygart) Tygart Lake Cleanup #2, Partnership Cleanup with Fishing Report, WV

6 May: Tionesta Lake Cleanup Day(9:00 am to 2:00 pm)

20 May: (Shenango) 5K Summerfest Sweat across Dam, 0900. Website: Miles of Smiles or Runsignup.com and on Facebook: Leslie Colucci-Sparano Foundation, or call Chris Washil @ 724-662-0130. All proceeds will benefit the Shenango Lake Summerfest held on 21 July.

20 May 2017: Crooked Creek Lake Clean Up Day and Visitor Center Grand Opening

27 May 2017 (Tenative)(Crooked Creek): Special Friends' Fishing Day

26-28 June 2017: (Crooked Creek)Camp Sunshine: Camp Sunshine is an event that has been held at Crooked Creek for many years. We work with a local group (ARC) to provide a 3 day "vacation" for the intellectually disabled members of Armstrong County. We provide 2 pavilions for arts and crafts, lunches, and anything else that the coordinator requests. They sign a Special Use permit, but I wave the fee. Last year, Bobber the Water Safety Dog made an appearance and handed out water safety materials. We also provided boat rides for the campers and helpers on our pontoon boat. Great event! Join us if you can.

June

8-11 June: (MJ Kirwan) West Branch triathlon. Link: http://www.champracing.net/great-western-triathlon

10 June: (Shenango) The Hermitage Lions Club will hold their first annual "Lions Give A Dam" 5K on Saturday, June 10, 2017 @ 0900AM. Proceeds from this race will benefit blind and visually impaired individuals. This is a new partnership between the Lion's Club, Mercer County Trail Association and the Corps. Online registration can be completed at:

https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Sharpsville/LionsGiveADam5K or by phoning Jack Kopen, Committee Chairman @ 724-977-3033.

10 June: (Mosquito) Marina Safety Day. Held at the State Park with all local Fire, Police, Rescue, and affiliated safety agencies participating.

17 June: (Mosquito) Birding Event - "Get your Bird On at Mosquito Lake". Includes a birding tour of the nature trail by a professional birder, booths with birding info, Purple Martin displays, etc.

24 June: Loyalhanna 75th Anniversary

24 & 25 June: (Woodcock) Dam Tri. Here is a link for this event: http://thedamtri.com/

July

1 July: Hannibal Lock and Dam on the Ohio River visitor center ribbon cutting. The event starts at 1100.

12 July: (Shenango) The "Dam Race" 5K will be held at Shenango Lake on Wednesday, 12 July at 1900. A 1/2 mile children's race is also planned to begin at 1745. Over 300 racers are expected to participate in the main race. The event is part of an ongoing partnership between Runners High, Mercer County Trail Association and the Corps. Registration can be completed via the Runner's High Website at Runhigh.com.

21 July: (Shenango) Summerfest @ 1000. We typically host 800-1,000 special needs individuals, their families and care givers for a day of Outdoor Recreation Fun at Shenango.

<u>August</u>

13 Aug: Tionesta Heritage Day

<u>September</u>

4 September: The first annual Buhl Park Half Marathon

15 September: Taylor County Water Festival at Tygart Lake (New Signature Event) Date is tentative to work with Taylor County Schools.

23-24 September: Stonewall Jackson Lake will participate in the Annual National Hunting and Fishing Days Celebration at Stonewall Resort State Park on Saturday and Sunday,

24 Sep: National Public Lands Day. This year Mahoning plans to build fish habitat structures with some local volunteers and Cub Scouts.

30 Sep: National Public Lands Day (NPLD) shoreline cleanup is scheduled from 0930-1400.

October

A West Penn Trail Triathlon (4th) hosted by the Conemaugh Valley Conservancy will be conducted in OCT17 (generally the 1st Saturday, 7OCT17, although not confirmed to date). Sections of the cycling and kayak segments take place on Conemaugh property. The Conemaugh Valley Conservancy has had a recreational lease for O&M of the West Penn Trail since 1990. This triathlon is their main fundraising event for O&M of the trail and have 100-120 participants each year.

12 October: Tygart Lake Cleanup #3, Partnering Cleanup with Fishing Report WV.